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Addendum

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II. Calendar of conferences and meetings

D. Requests for exceptions to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243

Introduction and overview

1. At its 475th and 476th meetings, on 11 September 2006, the Committee on Conferences considered the report of the Secretary-General on the pattern of conferences (A/61/129), chapter III, section C and annex III, concerning requests from subsidiary bodies, with an explanation of reasons and an additional request sent subsequently for exceptions to be made to section I, paragraph 7, of General Assembly resolution 40/243, in which the Assembly had decided that no subsidiary organ of the General Assembly might meet at United Nations Headquarters during a regular session of the Assembly unless explicitly authorized by the Assembly. Owing to the timing of its session, from 11 to 15 September 2006, the Committee handled the matter via written communications.

Conclusions and recommendations

2. The Committee on Conferences recommended that the General Assembly explicitly authorize the following bodies to meet in New York during the main part of its sixty-first session, on the understanding that all such meetings would be allocated conference services on an as-available basis in such a way that the work of the Assembly and its Main Committees would not be impeded:

(a) Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

(b) Committee on Relations with the Host Country

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